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In re Application of:

Norman G. ANDERSON et al. : Group Art Unit: 1645

Serial No.: 09/921,004 : Examiner: TBA

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For: QUANTIFICATION OF LOW

MOLECULAR WEIGHT AND LOW ABUNDANCE PROTEINS USING HIGH RESOLUTION TWO-DIMESIONAL ELECTROPHORESIS AND MASS

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, copy attached hereto, for which the United States Patent and Trademark Office has set the period for response at two months, Applicants have attached herewith, substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR §1.84. Further, attached hereto and provided herewith is a Petition for an Extension of Time for one month, making the due date for response 8 April 2002.

Applicants wish to point out that in order to comply with 37 CFR §1.84, original Figure 1 was separated into four (4) separate figures (Figures 1A-D), as the lettering requirements could not be met on a single sheet of paper given the margin limitations.

Accordingly, the corrected figures add no prohibited new matter.

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## CONCLUSION

Favorable consideration and early indication of allowance are solicited earnestly. The Commissioner hereby is authorized to charge payment of any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 that may become due in connection with the instant application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2220.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

## Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.138(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawings have a line quality that is too light to be reproduced (weight of all lines and letters must be heavy enough to permit adequate reproduction) or text that is illegible (reference characters, sheet numbers, and view numbers must be plain and legible) see 37 CFR 1.84(I) and (b)(1));
  - Numbers, letters, and reference characters must measure at least 0.32 cm (1/8 inch) in height.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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